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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SYNCHRONIZING AN EMAIL CLIENT ON A
PORTABLE COMPUTER SYSTEM WITH AN E-MAIL CLIENT ON A DESKTOP
COMPUTER

Mail Stop Amendment
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. The references were cited during the prosecution of the patent case, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/132,031, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Synchronizing an E-mail Client on a Portable Computer System with an E-mail Client on a Desktop Computer", filed April 24, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/790,622, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Synchronizing an Email Client on a Portable Computer System with an Email Client on a Desktop Computer", filed on January 29, 1997 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,401,112 on June 4, 2002. Enclosed is a copy of Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 and it is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered and be initialed by the Examiner to indicate such consideration and a copy thereof returned to applicant(s).

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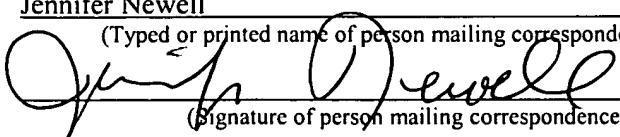
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